

AMERICAS LITTLE GIRLS WEAVE LIVES INTO WAR: KNIT COMFORTERS FOR WOUNDED POILUS

LET YOUR LITTLE GIRL KNIT "HOSPITAL SQUARES" FOR FRANCE

These Are Made of Bright Bits of Left-Over Yarn and Put Together to Make Comforters for Wounded Soldiers—A Child's Gift!

KNIT into the somber sweaters that grow bravely and miraculously between gleaming needles are the thoughts of many women.

They are gray thoughts—as gray as the soft, solemn wool. But a sweeter never tells! It is the office of one of these to warm, and, having warmed, to forever hold its secrets—tightly woven secrets that history itself will never be able to reveal.

DO YOU know these hospital squares? They are the slumber robes American children are making to put on the hospital beds of the wounded soldiers in France.

Little girls knit them out of bits of left-over yarn, and into them goes every color that ever was so brave to go venturing in a sweater. No shade is exempt—big sister's brilliant orange is quite as welcome as baby brother's gentle blue.

There is just size to consider. This must be six and a half inches square. Then many squares are made—not always by the same pair of small hands, because sometimes it's a neighborhood affair and each little girl on the street contributes a bright piece.

When there are enough to make a nice big comforter for a wounded soldier they are put together. If there are not enough they are put together anyhow, because even a fifty-four-inch throw will be accepted and put to good use by the Red Cross.

PATSY KILDARE THE OUTLAW

By JUDD MORTIMER LEWIS

Making a Rescue WHEN I went to see my burglar this morning he told me that the doctor is going to come in a day or two and give him the once over. His eyes were bright and he seemed excited about his chances of soon getting well.

Rowdy and I hopped into the auto with Levy and away we went. Rowdy would not get up on the back seat with me, so I sat down on the bottom of the auto with him on one side and me on the other, leaning my back against the door.

I was just telling Rowdy how lucky he is to be a dog, all but having seas, when the door flew open and I turned over sideways and my head hit on the step and then I found myself sitting by the side of the road.

The auto was going down the road, but I had no way of knowing it, being a dog, he did not have any better sense than to jump with his face toward me and his tail the other way, so when he hit the ground he turned over backward once and sideways a good many times. When he got up he got up with his face toward me and his tail the other way, so when he hit the ground he turned over backward once and sideways a good many times.

THE WOMAN'S EXCHANGE

Letters and questions submitted to this department must be written on one side of the paper only and stamped with the name of the writer. Special queries like those given below are answered in this department. All communications for this department should be addressed to: THE WOMAN'S EXCHANGE, Evening Ledger, Philadelphia, Pa.

TODAY'S INQUIRIES

- 1. How can indelible pencil-mark stain be removed?
2. Seventy million bushels of badly brained potatoes are to waste in the United States yearly. How can these potatoes be used to prevent this waste?
3. When there is no shower bath or shower hose, what can be used in rinsing the children's hair?

ANSWERS TO YESTERDAY'S INQUIRIES

- 1. Flour in sacks should be kept in a cool place that is well ventilated and not near a stove or radiator or any place where there is moisture.
2. Ordinary Turkish towels can be made ornamental enough for Christmas presents by crocheting a coarse striped lace on both ends and initialing them in the letters of the one to whom the gift is to be made.
3. The soles of children's sneakers can be mended to the following way: With heavy thread work back and forth underneath the new piece of sole on the shoe proper, then stitch the parts together with ordinary foot stitching. Let dry for twenty-four hours. Water will not dissolve this.

Reading Matter for Sailors

To the Editor of Woman's Page: Dear Madam—I am a sailor and I would like to send you a number of books and magazines which will be very helpful to me. I have a collection of books and magazines which I have gathered up during my travels. I would like to see if you would like to have them.

How Shall He Meet Her

To the Editor of Woman's Page: Dear Madam—I am a young girl of good address who does not know you and I would like to propose to her to marry me. Will you kindly suggest for me the best way to meet her and how to speak to her?

Wedding Anniversaries

To the Editor of Woman's Page: Dear Madam—Would you please print in your inquiries the different wedding anniversaries. (Mrs.) H. H. H.

To Call Up or Not to Call Up

To the Editor of Woman's Page: Dear Madam—I am a young girl of twenty and I would like to know if it is right to call up the boys and ask them to come and see me. They say it is the right thing to do and that otherwise the boys are not to be seen. I don't have as many dates as I would like to have. I don't do this and something it would give me about this. (BROWN) 1278.

Christmas Box for Jackies

To the Editor of Woman's Page: Dear Madam—Will you kindly tell me how many sailors are employed in running an American transport? Information desired. (LANS) 1278.

Official at the Navy Yard

Official at the navy yard prefer that no flange regarding the number of sailors manning transports be printed. Perhaps if you write to the commandant of the yard here in Philadelphia and explain to him your very worthy reason for wanting to know about this he will help you out. The number of men on the transports differs very greatly, of course, because the ships are of varied size.

IN THE MOMENT'S MODES Blue Chiffon Velvet and Russian Hare Make This Coat

The finishing touch of a well-equipped wardrobe is a handsome afternoon coat, and with the full skirt draperies that are now coming in for silk frocks, one needs a full one.

The accompanying model is a superlatively suitable and handsome one, and would do very well for an evening coat as well. It is of king's blue chiffon velvet, combined with the taupe shade of Russian hare and lined in taupe. The fur is thick and generous in collar, cuffs and hand at the hem. The cuffs are deep enough to use as a muff. The coat is of a cut and a fullness that give it all the advantage of a cape for evening wear, but still conforms to the lines of a coat and can be worn as such.



GOOD HEALTH QUESTION BOX

By JOHN HARVEY KELLOGG, M. D., LL. D.

In answer to health questions, Doctor Kellogg in this space will daily give advice on preventive medicine, but in no case will he take the risk of making diagnosis or prescribing for ailments. Health questions will be promptly answered by personal letters to inquirers who inclose stamped envelopes for reply.

Constipation

NORMALLY, the bowels should move after each meal, and sometimes just after rising. The largest movement generally occurs soon after breakfast.

Many persons suffer from constipation who are not aware of the fact. There are three forms of constipation: (A) Simple constipation, in which the bowels are only somewhat sluggish or irregular in action; (B) Latent constipation, in which the normal movement of the bowels is prevented by accumulation of hard, dry masses in the rectum or pelvic colon; and (C) Toxic constipation, in which the bowels move daily, but without complete evacuation of the lower colon.

Meals must be regular in time and the amount of food taken. Food is the physiologic laxative. Exercise promotes bowel action, especially walking, horseback riding, gymnastic exercises and such exercises as trunk bending and deep breathing.

Drugs of all sorts and laxative mineral waters are also laxative. The best of all exercises for relief of constipation are leg-raising and similar movements practiced with the head low, using an inclined table or an ironing board with one end on a chair, the other resting on the floor. A special folding table is made for this purpose.

Treatments which especially help bowel action are the morning cold bath, massage of the abdomen, and in special cases applications of electricity to the abdominal muscles, the rectum and the pelvic colon. Drugs of all sorts and laxative mineral waters are also laxative.

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"MA" SUNDAY'S INTIMATE TALKS The wife of the famous evangelist discusses everyday topics in a helpful and wholesome way.

What Are the Women Going to Do?

"BUT what has become of the men?" I asked my friend, lately returned from England, who was giving me some surprising facts and figures on the social and domestic condition of women in the British Isles. She raised her hands helplessly.

"What is what people were asking themselves in England before the war," she said, "the situation will be after the war is something that even the most daring people do not seem to want to talk about. Before the declaration of war with Germany investigation showed that out of every thousand women there were more than half of child-bearing age who were unmarried—\$30 out of every 1000 to be exact. Even if every woman had wanted a husband, there weren't enough to go around for the women outnumber the men in England in the ratio of about nine to eight. That men even before the call to arms sent the larger share of the male population tramping off to the trenches.

"When peace comes the conditions will be more pronounced, probably twice as bad. In other words, it will be impossible for many Englishwomen to find a husband, unless they are endowed with resources to do so, they are doomed to go through life husbandless and childless. Add the conditions of peace, and women in England and France will have to do without a husband for there won't be men enough to go around. And these figures are conservative. They mean that the carnage of slaughter continues much longer. "What is going to be done about it?" she finished.

I know that this question contains several others—the matter of children, and the future generations, on whom the world reconstruction will rest, the status of the home, the position of women in business and society, all quite apart from the problems of each individual case.

But while I appreciate all of these facts, I still believe our social reconstructors are approaching the whole situation from the wrong angle. They are trying the impossible task of governing and directing human morals and impulses from without rather than from within. Of course, the situation means that many, very many, women in the war-torn nations will be denied the privilege of marriage and children, and as a consequence the governments will face the problem of insouciant heritages to carry forward the work of building.

Woman's primal mission is the rearing and raising of children. If she is to be denied this mission, what is to happen to society? This is the question that seems to be disturbing certain of our foremost thinkers very deeply, but the passing of new laws, the letting down of social barriers will not solve it. The future generations will take care of themselves, but we in this day and age, take care of ourselves. And

Sour Milk

Do you advise the use of sour milk? MARRIE Y.

Sour milk is more digestible than ordinary fresh milk.

Tobacco Not Good

Should athletes abstain from tobacco? AMATEUR.

Have, the famous long-distance runner, who was the winner in the Olympic games for 1908, said: "No long-distance runner can smoke either cigars or cigarettes. Abstinence from tobacco in any form is essential. Smoking affects the lungs and heart and the more he runs the less he will care for it. I suggest running as a certain cure for the tobacco habit to any one who wishes to break himself of it. One pound of market tobacco contains about 150 grains of nicotine. One-sixth of a third of a grain causes toxic symptoms in man. One grain kills a dog. Nine-tenths of a grain will kill a man. One pound contains more than enough to kill 200 men."

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This doesn't mean that license will or can be a substitute for the laws of man and God. If the men and women who are thrown into this maelstrom of conflict meet it in the best and highest spirit, there will be no problem of the so-called "war babies." And human vision and moral incentive are something great all of the laws in the universe cannot compel.

All of this discussion is superficial. We are dodging the big, vital issues of the whole situation. It is not the quantity of men in the world that counts—but the quality, and the same applies to the women. History has shown us repeatedly the triumph of a nation with real vision over a people with mere physical numbers and no vision at all. There are women of the world have been what society sneeringly called "old maids." There has only been one Florence Nightingale—but that woman is a rare exception. All-conquering women are the world's most abundant commodity. They are willing, even patiently, to accept anything less than the highest ideal of their sex. And those ideals are not built on sand. They are built only on the age-tested laws that have withstood Christianity and civilization.

Women of today are facing a critical tomorrow. Many of them do not realize, even yet, just how critical it may become. But they will never surmount the issue before them by submission to any other dictate than that of the supreme gift which God entrusted to them to be administered only in the spirit and manner of love. If the women of the war are able to pass through the furnace of destiny unscathed, they need have no fear of their children. The problem of the next generation will solve itself. They will never surmount the issue before them by submission to any other dictate than that of the supreme gift which God entrusted to them to be administered only in the spirit and manner of love.

And that foundation will not endure on anything less than the firmest rock—ideals of great-hearted, clear-eyed, strong-willed men and women, who in all of the maze of doubt and furnace of sacrifice have strength and power enough to see the breaking dawn ahead and to shape their lives to be worthy of that dawn.

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